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MEMORANDUM FOR: Indications Task Force

SUBJECT: Terms of Reference for COMOR
Indications Task Force

Attached is the Terms of Reference for the ITF as approved by COMOR on 9 February 1967. It is noted that in accordance with the request of the NSA COMOR member there may need to be further discussion by COMOR as to how the Task Force shall approach non-imagery forming collection for warning/indications.

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Terms of Reference
for COMOR
Indications Task Force

1. In accordance with Priority National Intelligence Objective One, "Maximum prior warning of impending military attack on the U.S., on U.S. forces overseas, or on any country which the U.S. is committed to defend," the objectives of the Task Force shall be:

- a. To examine and evaluate the role and potential of overhead reconnaissance systems to contribute to warning/indications intelligence on the types of attack postulated in NIE 11/10-66 (i. e., maximum surprise, maximum weight, a combination of the two).
- b. To prepare an appropriate statement of requirements for use as guidance in development and operation of the overhead reconnaissance system(s) which may be needed to respond to these requirements.
- c. To assess the impact and relationships of the proposed requirements and resulting system(s) on other programs as well as the intelligence community's exploitation and reporting and analysis efforts.
- d. To submit a report of findings with appropriate recommendations to COMOR; the report to be completed by 1 April 1967.

2. In conducting this effort the Task Force will:

- a. Compile a target list for overhead reconnaissance collection (organized by homogeneous target categories) that is applicable to warning/indications intelligence on each type of attack.

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b. Determine the characteristics (e.g., resolution, stereo vs. mono, obliquity) and frequency of coverage that are required to provide warning/indications information on each target category.

c. Determine the need for obtaining warning/indications information on a real or near real time sensing, readout, exploitation, and reporting basis.

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